

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

A. Summary of the Amendment

This is a full and timely response to the In re Quayle Action dated July 19, 2004. Although prosecution on the merits of the application is closed, the present amendment is directed to objections in the Action, and care has been taken to ensure that no new matter is included in the amendment, and no substantive issues are raised by the amendment. By way of the present amendment, claims 1 and 10 are amended. No claims have been added or canceled, and no claims are withdrawn as the result of a restriction requirement. Thus, claims 1 to 26 remain pending for the Examiner's consideration, with claims 1 and 10 being independent claims.

The specification is also amended at paragraphs [0014], [0015], [0017], [0019], and [0020] to correct minor editorial problems.

In amended FIGs. 1 and 4, previously omitted element 40 has been added.

B. Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner has acknowledged that claims 1 to 26 are directed to allowable subject matter. Applicants thank the Examiner for a thorough examination of these claims.

C. Objections to the Drawings

The Examiner objected to the drawings under 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a) for failing to show every feature of the invention specified in the claims. In view of the present amendment, as well as the condition of the application as filed, it is believed that the objections are overcome.

The Examiner asserted that, as recited in claim 1, an electrical device container, a housing, and an electrical switch are omitted from the drawings. Element 40, directed to the device

container, is added to the drawings in the attached sheets. Corresponding text is added to the specification in the Amendments to the Specification section of this paper. Regarding an electrical switch, the contacts 14 described in the specification and drawings as filed are examples of a switch in view of their function to disconnect a circuit. Finally, the boss 19 in the drawings and specification as filed is an example of the housing recited in the claims.

The Examiner also asserted that, as recited in claim 10, a container, a housing, an electrical switch, and a power circuit are omitted from the claims. The container, housing, and electrical switch are discussed above. Finally, claim 10 is amended to clarify that a power circuit is meant to include power circuit components such as the contacts 31a, 31b described in the specification and drawings as filed.

The Examiner also asserted that, as recited in claims 4 and 13, terminals are omitted from the drawings. It is respectfully pointed out that flanges 15 described in the specification and drawings as filed are examples of terminals recited in claims 4 and 13.

Finally, the Examiner required that the drawings illustrate a substrate as set forth in claim 10. It is respectfully pointed out that the circuit board 30 described in the specification and drawings as filed is an example of such a substrate.

The drawings are also objected to under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(p)(5). The Examiner asserts that the drawings do not include reference numeral 31. Amended paragraph 0017 clarifies that numerals 31a and 31b are generically referred to with numeral 31 after their first instance. The Examiner also asserts that the specification does not include a description of the element referenced with numeral 23. It is respectfully pointed out that such a description is included in paragraph 0017 as filed.

For the foregoing reasons, it is believed that all of the objections to the drawings are overcome.

D. Objections to the Specification

The Examiner objected to the disclosure because reference numeral 21 is used in the specification with reference to two different elements. This typographical error is corrected in amended paragraph 0021 in this paper. It is therefore believed that the objection is overcome.

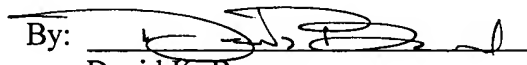
E. Conclusion

In view of Applicant's amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that Examiner's objections have been overcome. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the application is now in condition for allowance, and such allowance is therefore earnestly requested. Should the Examiner have any questions or wish to further discuss this application, Applicants request that the Examiner contact the Applicants attorneys at the below-listed telephone number.

If for some reason Applicants have not requested a sufficient extension and/or have not paid a sufficient fee for this response and/or for the extension necessary to prevent abandonment on this application, please consider this as a request for an extension for the required time period and/or authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 50-2091 for any fee which may be due.

Respectfully submitted,
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